

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

HARRY WILLIAMSON <i>Plaintiff,</i> v. LORAIN COUNTY, et al. <i>Defendants.</i>	Case No.: 1:23-cv-01507-JG Judge James S. Gwin Magistrate Judge Jennifer Dowdell Armstrong
PLAINTIFF HARRY WILLIAMSON'S INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT TOM WILLIAMS	

Under Fed. R. Civ. P. 33, Plaintiff Harry Williamson requests that Defendant Tom Williams respond to these interrogatories within 30 days of service.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Definitions.** In answering each interrogatory, use the following definitions:
 - A. The word “**person**” means any natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation (whether public or private), governmental agency or entity, joint venture, or any other form of business entity.
 - B. The term “**document**” or “**documents**” means the original or a copy, regardless of origin or location, of any writing or records of any type or description, whether official or unofficial, including, but not limited to, the original or any copy of any book, pamphlet, periodical, letter, memorandum, telegram, report, record, statement, study, inter- or intra-office communication, handwritten or other note, working paper, publication, permit, ledger and/or journal, whether general or special, chart, paper, graph, survey, index tape, disk, data sheet or data-processing card, or any other written, recorded, transcribed, filed, or graphic matter, however produced or reproduced, to which you have had access or now have access. “Document” or “documents” also includes any magnetically, mechanically, and/or electronically stored, maintained, and/or recorded data, whether the data consists of words, symbols, numbers, graphs, or other matters, including but not limited to email and text messages as well as messages on any social-media or other electronic platform, website, or application (e.g., messages in Facebook messenger, Tweets, Twitter direct messages, or Snapchat).
 - C. “**Identify**” means:
 1. With respect to _____, to state, to the extent known, the person’s name _____, last known home address, last

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known home telephone number, last known business address, last known business telephone number, last known employer, and last known job title. If you do not know the person's name, provide a physical description of the person instead.

2. With respect to a communication: the place of the communication, the date and time of the communication, the participants in the communication, and the substance of the communication.
 - D. “**And**” and “**or**” shall be construed either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of the interrogatory all responses that might otherwise be construed to be outside its scope.
 - E. The term “**current**” means as of the date of service of these interrogatories.
 - F. “**Any**” includes the word “all,” and “**all**” includes the word “any.”
 - G. “**Relate to**” and “**relating to**” mean regarding, concerning, containing, consisting of, referring to, reflecting, supporting, demonstrating, showing, identifying, mentioning, contradicting, prepared in connection with, used in preparation for, pertaining to, having any relationship to, evidencing, constituting evidence of, or being in any way legally, logically, or factually connected with the matter discussed.
2. For each request or part of a request that you object to as vague, please request clarification as to the scope of the request.¹
 3. **Privileges:** For each interrogatory or part thereof that you refuse to answer on grounds of privilege, state:
 - A. The specific privilege asserted;
 - B. The basis for the privilege; and
 - C. The identity of the documents and/or information claimed to be privileged.

¹ See, e.g., *Bottoms v. Liberty Life Assur. Co. of Bos.*, No. 11-CV-01606-PAB-CBS, 2011 WL 6181423, at *7 (D. Colo. Dec. 13, 2011) (“The responding party is obligated to reasonably construe the discovery requests ... and cannot evade its obligations under Rules 33 and 34 by summarily dismissing an interrogatory or request for production as ‘overbroad.’”).

1. Identify every document you are withholding in discovery on the basis of privilege or work-product protection, including the date and time of its creation, its creators, its recipients, its subject, and its purpose.

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2. Explain every factual basis for terminating Mr. Williamson's employment.

RESPONSE:

3. Explain every factual basis for terminating Tim Carrion's employment.

RESPONSE:

4. Explain every factual basis for terminating Alexis Swiniarski's employment.

RESPONSE:

5. Explain every factual basis for terminating Matt Spears's employment.

RESPONSE:

6. Explain how you first learned that Mr. Williamson was involved in a romantic relationship with Commissioner Hung, including the source of that information and the date on which you received it.

RESPONSE:

7. Identify every person with whom you communicated about Mr. Williamson's relationship with Ms. Hung before your termination, including the date, participants, and contents of each communication.

RESPONSE:

8. Identify every employee you know, believe, or suspect to have been involved in a sexual or romantic relationship with another County employee at any time since January 1, 2017.

RESPONSE:

9. Explain the County's policies governing employees involved in romantic or sexual relationships with each other.

RESPONSE:

10. Identify every disciplinary or corrective action taken against an employee for violating those policies since January 1, 2017.

RESPONSE:

11. Identify all steps you took to address Mr. Williamson's reports that County funds were being misspent.

RESPONSE:

12. Identify every occasion on which you instructed Mr. Williamson to stop researching, inquiring into, discussing, or asking about the misuse of County funds or resources.

RESPONSE:

13. Identify all steps you took to secure reimbursements for dispatch services from Lorain and North Ridgeville after the City stopped assigning dispatchers to third shift.

RESPONSE:

14. Identify every person who has asked you to support the MARCS proposal for new walkie-talkies.

RESPONSE:

15. Affirm that all your responses to requests for production and requests for admission in this matter are the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

RESPONSE:

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Brian D. Bardwell

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AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, having been duly sworn, swear that the preceding responses are true, based on my personal knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on _____.

Notary Public

My commission expires: _____

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on April 16, 2024, this document was served on opposing counsel as provided by
Civ. R. 5(B)(2)(b)(f).

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